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In re application of

Edward J. Shoen et al. Application No. 10/083,726

Filed: October 19, 2001

For: ONLINE MARKETPLACE FOR MOVING

AND RELOCATION SERVICES

DECISION ON PETITION

TO MAKE SPECIAL

(ACCELERATED

**EXAMINATION)** 

This is in response to the petition filed on December 30, 2002 to make the above-identified application special on the basis of special examining procedure for certain new applications - accelerated examination as set forth in MPEP § 708.02 VIII.

The requirements for granting special status under this section are: (A) a petition to make special accompanied by the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(i); (B) all claims being directed to a single invention, or an election without traverse if the Office determines that all the claims are not directed to a single invention; (C) a statement that a pre-examination search was made listing the field of search; (D) one copy of each of the references deemed most closely related to the subject matter encompassed by the claims if said references are not already of record; and (E) a detailed discussion of how the claimed subject matter is patentable over the references in accordance with 37 CFR 1.111 (b) and (c).

The petition filed December 30, 2002 fails to adequately meet requirements (C) and (D) above. The petition states that a pre-examination search was made in all classes. However, the field of search by class and subclass, publication, Chemical Abstracts, foreign patents, etc. has not been listed. A copy of the document "www.move.com" has not been provided.

For the above stated reasons, the petition is **DISMISSED**.

Petitioner is given one more opportunity to perfect the petition. Any request for reconsideration must be filed within TWO MONTHS of the date of this decision. Extensions of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) are permitted.

**SUMMARY**: Petition to Make Special **DISMISSED**.

Applicant should promptly submit a renewed petition to the Commissioner of Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. The envelope should indicate that the correspondence be brought to the attention of Technology Center 3600.

Until the renewed petition is submitted, the application will be returned to the examiner's docket to await treatment on the merits in the normal order of examination.

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